कल्याण मंत्री (श्री बलवन्त सिंह रामूवालिया): (क) से (ङ) संबंधित राज्य सरकार से सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Automobile Export

169. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether automobile exports during 1995-96 recorded a negative growth of about 2% compared to an impressive growth of 50% achieve in 1994-95;

(b) if so, the actual exports of automobiles during 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96; and

(c) what are the main reasons for the decline in exports in 1995-96?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The exports of automobiles during the years 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 has been 1,27,342 nos., 1,78,756 nos. and 1,93,944 nos. respectively.

(c) Does not arise.

Foreign investment proposals

170. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any foreign investment proposals have been approved so far during the current year;

(b) if so, the foreign investment envisaged under such approved proposals;

(c) the total employment likely to be generated; and

(d) The details of such proposals approved for Karnataka?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) During the current year i.e. from 1.1.96 to 31.5.96, 583 proposals have been approved envisaging foreign direct investment of Rs. 11616.38 crores.

(c) Data on employment generation with specific linkage to foreign direct investment is not centrally maintained.

(d) The details of such proposals viz. name of the Indian company, name and country of foreign collaborator, equity/investment involved, item of manufacture/activity are published by the Indian Investment Centre as a supplement to the Monthly Newsletter and copies of these are regularly supplied to the Parliament Library.

Directive issued by S.C. to Curb the Child Labour

171. DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any directive by the Supreme Court to inform the Court by 18th March, 1996, about the steps taken to curb the child labour in the country;

(b) if so, whether Government had informed the Supreme Court the steps taken in this regard;

(c) what are the details provided to Supreme Court by Government; and

(d) whether any further directive was issued by the Supreme Court in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Government representation on Expert Committee on Tobacco

172. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no representative of his Ministry on the Expert Committee on Tobacco;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof; and

(c) whether Government will press for inclusion of his Ministry's representative on the Expert Committee on Tobacco?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.